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Relief Available for Tax and Fee Payers Affected by San Mateo County Rainstorm

Sacramento – Betty T. Yee, First District Member of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE) announced today that business owners and fee payers who were impacted by the severe rainstorm on December 23, 2012 in San Mateo County may go online to request relief for an extension to file their returns, from penalties and interest, or to replace copies of records lost to storm damage.

"This rainstorm caused extensive damage to public and private property and was very disruptive to the lives of San Mateo County residents," said Ms. Yee. "The BOE is ready to help affected tax and fee payers."

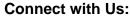
Requesting Relief

eRelief Requests is the BOE's online service that enables taxpayers to quickly and conveniently submit requests for extension of time in which to file a tax/fee return and requests for relief from interest and penalties for many BOE programs. To submit an eRelief Request, please visit www.boe.ca.gov/elecsrv/erelief/.

Tax and fee payers discussed in this Governor's State of Emergency Proclamation issued on February 28, 2013, and who, as a result, could not meet their filing and payment deadlines for the programs shown in the following chart, may be eligible for an extension or relief from penalties and interest.

Sales and Use Taxes	Oil Spill Prevention Fee and Oil Spill Response
	Fee
Alcoholic Beverage Tax	Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Fee
Cigarettes and Tobacco Products Taxes	Integrated Waste Management Fee
Energy Resources Surcharge	Occupational Lead Poisoning Prevention Fee
Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge	Electronic Waste Recycling (eWaste) Fee (CEDs)
Natural Gas Surcharge	Marine Invasive Species Fee (Ballast Water
	Management Fee)
Fire Prevention Fee	Timber Yield Tax
California Tire Fee (Tire recycling fee)	Water Rights Fee

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Underground Storage Tank Maintenance Fee	Hazardous Substances Fees (Environmental Fee, Activity Fee, Generator Fee, Disposal Fee, Facility Fee)
Fuel Taxes: Diesel Fuel Tax, Use Fuel Tax, Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax, Aircraft Jet Fuel	Interstate User Tax (IFTA)*

*Please note: The relief program for interstate user tax under the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) applies to California tax only. To waive interest and penalties for another jurisdiction, the BOE must receive written approval from the other jurisdiction. For information regarding IFTA, please call 1-800-400-7115 and follow the prompts to Special Taxes and Fees.

Those without Internet access may call the BOE Taxpayer Information Section at 1-800-400-7115 (TTY: 711), Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific Time), except state holidays.

Relief Request: Frequently Asked Questions: www.boe.ca.gov/info/relreq.htm

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Board Member Betty T. Yee was elected to her post in November 2006. Her district includes many of California's coastal counties, from Del Norte to Santa Barbara, and includes the entire San Francisco Bay Area. Ms. Yee previously served as Chief Deputy Director for Budget at the California Department of Finance, covering a wide array of state and local finance policy matters.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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